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Deep-rooted customs, though wrong, are not easily altered; but it is the duty of all to be firm in that which they certainly know is right for them.—John Woolman.

THE PROGRESS OF THE HEARING

Secretary Fisher's investigation has not yet reached a point where comment upon its ultimate results can be made with any breadth of justice. It may be said, however, that the presentation of the delegate's "case" by Attorney C. W. Ashford this morning did not show that Kaho, if his spokesman fairly represents him, has any definite, detailed, authoritative remedies for the evils he is freely charging. Again and again Mr. Ashford professed himself unable to find cures for the ills of Hawaii upon which he elaborated, and there was certainly much vagueness in his suggestions as to changes in the land laws. Mr. Ashford was not physically fit today, and something of his lack of clear-cut rejoinder to Mr. Fisher's questions was undoubtedly due to this.

At the outset Mr. Fisher is confronted with fundamental differences of opinion among witnesses as to the wisdom of cutting up large holdings into small holdings, and he will probably find these differences of opinion quite general.

The striking thing of this morning's hearing was the secretary's definite statement that he believes in cooperation with the governor in political appointments directly affecting Hawaii, and that he shall certainly give such recognition to the chief executive of this territory, and the further definite statement that so far as he is aware there is not now, nor has there been, any lack of support in Washington for this administration. The secretary is evidently a good friend for Hawaii to have.

THE FOCUS OF COMMERCE

In an unusually interesting and well-considered article on Pacific commerce and its future with relation to Hawaii, written for the Hawaii edition of the San Francisco Call and reproduced in the Star-Bulletin last Saturday, Mr. E. E. Paxton points out Honolulu as the logical focus for the ocean trade between the Panama canal and the Orient. On this subject there has been much dispute, and Mr. Paxton's conclusions, backed by unimpeachable figures, are of direct interest to the people of this territory. After quoting figures upon comparative distances between Pacific ports, he says that "the logical and commercial route will be via Pacific Coast ports and the Hawaiian Islands."

No other point in mid-Pacific can begin to afford the facilities which will be afforded at Honolulu and other island ports for docking steamers and replenishing fuel and other supplies."

In the article as published, an error was made by the omission of a line of type which should be rectified, as it apparently makes Mr. Paxton say just the opposite of what he did say. A published paragraph says in part: "The conclusion is therefore inevitable that Hawaii must be the rendezvous for tramp steamers and sailing vessels carrying full cargoes which would probably take the shortest possible route to destination," whereas, as originally written by Mr. Paxton, his statement was that "Hawaii must be the rendezvous for trans-Pacific commerce except for tramp steamers and sailing vessels carrying full cargoes," etc.

DR. ELIOT'S CONCLUSIONS

Since Dr. Eliot's return to the mainland, his conclusions as to the prospects for world-peace have aroused wide comment as his ideas received publicity. Perhaps the most widely quoted statement he has made is the following, which it will be noticed, is along exactly the line of his interview in this paper when he passed through Honolulu:

"I would not be willing to come out and state broadly that the nations are taking seriously the idea of universal peace. There is a strong sentiment for it everywhere, of course, but such a sentiment is as old as the hills, and has been found more or less in all times and climes. Men individually all over the world do less fighting today than at any other time in the history of the world, and they have a greater and more abiding respect for the institutions of peace, the courts and legislative bodies than they ever had. This is perhaps largely because of a natural growth toward a better civilization and a higher Christianity, and not so much due to any special peace propaganda. Some of the leaders in

various countries are sincerely devoted to the splendid principle of arbitration, and are opposed to war on various unselfish grounds, but I fear that the time is not yet here when the truly strong men—the men who are in power or who may be in power tomorrow—are unequivocally on the side of reason and humanity as opposed to the sword and savagery."

MAINE POLITICS

Maine's election today carries more than usual significance and interest, not only because of the fact that the rock-ribbed commonwealth may swing back into the Republican column, where it normally belongs, but because of the factional strife within the Republican party. It is not true, as one local comment has said, that the fight lies squarely between the Republican and Democratic tickets. If this were so, the Republicans would be more optimistic than they have been.

In Maine, a weakened and disorganized Republican electorate is at war internally, while a strong and aggressive Democratic machine is building up a well-handled minority. Going Democratic in 1910, the first time in fifty years, Maine swung into the Bourbon column with a Democratic governor and legislature. Then came a remarkable series of events helping to build up the Democratic machine under Gov. Plaisted. A Democratic senator succeeded the veteran Hale. Another Republican veteran, Frye, passed to his grave and Plaisted named a Democrat to succeed him. On the supreme bench, where one Democratic member out of seven was the record, death caused vacancies that were promptly filled by Democrats until the Republican majority has been lost. Democratic judges have supplanted Republicans and every county but two is ruled by Democratic office-holders. The result is the creation of an exceptionally strong Bourbon machine in the unprecedented time of two years.

While this machine has been getting into running order, dissension has visited the Republicans. The real Progressives, so impartial observers maintain, have never been allied with the Bull Moose faction, largely of discredited and out-of-work politicians, which went to Chicago. At Chicago the Maine delegation was held away from Roosevelt by frantic appeals from the "people back home" to stay with Taft or risk wrecking the Republican party in the state and thus assure two years more of Democratic dominance.

Bull Moose leaders from the state, after a talk with Roosevelt, stated that he has promised to keep hands off until after today's election, so that the Democratic aggression might be resisted. At any rate, the recent Portland convention passed resolutions pledging its nominees to support the regular Republican party in the state.

This has not ended the civil warfare. The real Progressives of the state claim that the Bull Moosers will not support the Republican ticket next November. Thus it might happen that Maine would go Republican in today's election, which is for state officers and representatives in Congress, and in November the Republican voters would split between Taftism and Rooseveltism, and Wilson would poll a substantial Democratic majority. Therefore, while a victory for Democracy in today's election will almost certainly mean a Democratic victory next November, a Republican victory today may not mean a Taft triumph two months from now. This is the state of affairs that is worrying the political prophets.

To make matters worse, the Maine Republicans have not been able to help out their campaign by the strength of national issues, because it is the national fight that is dividing their forces. They have been forced to restrict their utterances to state and local issues, while the Democrats have charged down the line on their national war-horses with great effect. It has been a matter of comment that William T. Haines, the Republican nominee for governor, has steered away from national issues in his speeches.

So it is that respectable, conservative, careful old Maine is as uncertain today as a nervous elderly lady in front of a street-car.

And it was Wyoming that supplied the real sensation of the local Republican primaries last Saturday.

Kaimuki ought to advertise its boxing contests in advance.

The Oahu Democrats still have the Jarrett habit.

JARRETT WINS CONTROL OF CONVENTION AT PRIMARIES

Sheriff Jarrett and his cohorts made practically a clean sweep of the opposition in the Democratic primaries on Saturday, and it is believed will control the county convention as a result. In order to solidify the party machine there were compromise tickets in most of the precincts with the Jarrett men in the majority, and in the few where there was opposition the Sheriff won hands down, save in the twelfth of the fourth, where Ben Kahalepuna, ex-police sergeant, holds the delegation for the Antis.

In that troublesome precinct of the first of the fourth, the voters settled the Quinn-Fringle controversy by cutting both off the ticket. One man out of the delegation of ten is supposed to be Anti-Jarrett.

The same was the case in the second of the fourth where the opposition got one out of eleven. Manoa, the third of the fourth, went solid for Jarrett. Following were the results:

First of Fourth.

County and district convention—A. M. Faria, S. C. Hardisty, S. Kauai, J. A. Kela, Charles Kahulu, D. K. Martin, S. Meheula, I. Nahinalau, J. S. Osmer and R. B. Reedy.

Third of Fourth.

Julius Asch, Joseph Eightfoot, Archie S. Robertson, Charles H. Rose, Abraham Kawaihoa and David Hao.

Fourth of Fourth.

County—Dr. John Cowes, W. Kamekoni, A. E. Carter, P. N. Nuoli, J. Markham, Chas. Girdler, D. Kana'olu.

Eighth of Fourth.

Dr. R. E. M. Birch, R. W. Gray, W. R. Chilton, J. R. Amorin, J. S. Nobriga, John Nascimento, Leonard Mitchell, D. K. Kaanohi, Antone Faria, John Hills, A. Junglaus, H. Martinez, Jack McFadden, Wm. Sampson, Abel Kia, J. K. Lewai.

Ninth of Fourth.

County—Wm. H. McClellan, David Kamaooha, Abraham Opunui, Charles Barron, W. S. Eddings, Martin Christensen, Joel Phillips, Sam Little, Jr., John Huihui, Edward B. Friel, C. K. Macfarlane, Harry A. Juen, Akoni Ahai, A. V. Gear, Stephen Gumpfer, J. J. Smiddy, Awa Wilson, Adam Ahai.

Tenth of Fifth.

County—J. K. Mokumala, A. K. Williams, Mahina Sniffen, William Kau, M. D. Abreu, Alex Tripp, Geo. K. Kahanaui, Robert, Ahuna, A. G. Gomes, Charles Kaulukukui, Obedia Kikala, William Ayai, James Pakioe, Moses Kawalapo, David Kuphea, Hugo Kanne, J. J. Fern, Joseph Kailana, William Kaai, John G. Lewis, D. Kahalepuna, Thomas Aukai, J. K. Kauai, Manuel Olsen.

Tenth of Fifth.

County—William Akerman, K. F. Ghong, John Cluney, Husto De la Cruz, Manuel Espinda, E. J. Gay, M. J. Consalves, Wm. E. Miles, Manuel Moses, Ohulenui, M. C. Pacheco, Wm. B. Rice, John R. Silvia, Manuel Smith.

GAMESTERS ADD TO CITY COFFERS

The city and county officers have been enriched to the tune of several hundred dollars through the successful efforts of Chief of Detectives McDuffie and Sergeant Kellett who raided a number of gambling games Sunday evening and landed the participants before Police Judge Monsarrat.

A batch of ten Japanese charged with gambling entered a plea of guilty and paid over fines ranging five to ten dollars. One alleged participant at the game was sent to the hospital owing to the desire upon his part to leave the premises without first having received a personal introduction to the visiting police. In leaping from an upper window the Japanese sprained an ankle. The fact that the broad back of Kellett broke the fall of the Japanese saved that individual from what might have been a few more serious injuries.

Ten Filipinos were also brought in by the detective department it being claimed that they were playing a game where money was won and lost. With one exception the little Brown brothers from the Philippines drew a five dollar fine, with court trimmings.

W. H. STONE, SR., DIES AT HIS NUUANU HOME

W. H. Stone, Sr., died at his Nuuanu residence at half-past 9 o'clock last evening. Mr. Stone was 65 years old and was well known in Honolulu. He leaves a widow, five sons and two daughters, William, Hawley, Frank, Samuel and David Stone and Josephine and Sarah Stone. The funeral will take place from the Nuuanu street residence tomorrow forenoon at 10 o'clock.

The Zimmerman and his family had a fierce fight with a mad bulldog at Racine, Wis., while automobile riding. The dog was in the machine with the party and suddenly went mad and attacked the occupants. It was finally killed.

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